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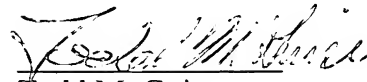
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DE 24 50 267 C2 corresponds to GB1,528,598, a copy of which is provided as a translation. Further, a copy of the English translation of the German Office Action from the corresponding application is enclosed.

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